

at the University of Nebraska at Omaha for 25 years as Athletic Director and also as the baseball coach. The number of victories he achieved at the University of Nebraska at Omaha was beyond 400 victories in that period of time. Recognized by the small colleges in the United States as one of the outstanding men in terms of his administration ability and in terms of his athletic ability as a coach. Therefore, I would ask that you join with me in this resolution as a eulogy to Mr. Virgil Yelkin. By the way, his funeral today is at 1:30 p.m. at Roper Mortuary here in Lincoln.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of Legislative Resolution 29. Record your vote. Have you voted? Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. We go to General File. Senator Schmit should return to the Chamber. LB 81.

CLERK: Read LB 81. The bill has been considered a series of times. The committee amendments have been adopted on February 24. There is an amendment by Senator Koch that was adopted. There is presently an amendment by Senator Koch pending which is printed in the Journal identified as Amendment No. 1 on page 536, of the Legislative Journal. Then Mr. President, Senator Simon offered an amendment to the Koch amendment to read as follows, read amendment.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I think we have to recognize what we're trying to do with this bill. We're trying to raise funds. We're trying to raise funds from those people who use the system. Now if you want to cut those funds down to the point that the cost of collection and the cost of administration, the cost of supervision, the cost of enforcement eats up all the money that's raised, then you just as well forget about the passage of the bill. I don't think it's going to make any difference to anyone whether he pays \$2.50, \$1.00, \$1.50. I think the Legislature has to determine at what level they want to try to fund the parks system through user fees which have been spoken of in glowing terms here as a means of financing the parks system. When they decide to do that, then we have to pass the bill. I don't think the fee is unreasonable; I think that many people that use those systems would prefer to pay an adequate fee in order to have decent facilities. I would oppose the amendment and ask you to stick with the original language.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? We have before us Senator Simon's amendment. Senator Shirley Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. President, I'd like to request the amendment be read.

PRESIDENT: The bill is \$1.50. Senator Koch had \$1.00 and now Senator Simon has \$2.00. Could you read the amendment?

CLERK: Read amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Simon.